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HOUSE BILL 752

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES; AMENDING
THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR ARCHITECTS
MEMBER IN THE ARCHITECTURAL ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 61-15-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1979,
Chapter 362, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"61-15-3. BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR ARCHITECTS CREATED--
TERMS--QUALIFICATIONS.--

A. There is created a "board of examiners for
architects" consisting of seven members appointed by the
governor for staggered terms of three years each. Six of the
members shall be architects having ten years or more experience
in the profession, five years of which shall have been in
responsible charge of architectural projects, and shall have

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1 been registered as architects in New Mexico for at least five
2 years. One of these six architects shall be [~~in architectural~~
3 ~~education in an accredited college of architecture~~] employed by
4 a government entity. The seventh member shall be a public
5 member who is a voting member. The public member of the board
6 shall not have been licensed as an architect, nor shall the
7 public member have any significant financial interest, whether
8 direct or indirect, in the occupation regulated.

9 B. Each member of the board shall be at least
10 thirty years of age, a citizen of the United States and a
11 resident of New Mexico for at least five years prior to the
12 date of appointment.

13 C. Members of the board shall be appointed for
14 staggered terms of three years each made in such a manner that
15 the terms of not more than two members expire on June 30 of
16 each year. Each member shall serve until [~~his~~] a successor has
17 been appointed and qualified. A vacancy shall be filled for
18 the unexpired term by appointment by the governor of a person
19 having similar qualifications as the member that [~~he~~] the
20 person replaces. Each member of the board whose term has not
21 expired on the effective date of this section shall serve out
22 [~~his~~] the member's unexpired term.

23 D. Each member of the board shall receive a
24 certificate of appointment from the governor and, before
25 beginning [~~his~~] the member's term of office, shall file with

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1 the secretary of state the constitutional oath of office. The
2 governor may remove any member from the board for the neglect
3 of any duty required by law, for incompetence or, if the member
4 is a licensed architect, for any improper or unprofessional
5 conduct as defined by regulations of the board.

6 E. The board shall elect a [~~chairman~~] chair, a vice
7 [~~chairman~~] chair and a secretary and any other officers it
8 deems necessary."

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